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Business - Labor - Water - Leaders Coalition
PROMOTING INVESTMENT IN CALIFORNIA'S WATER FUTURE

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**Statement of the Business - Labor - Water - Leaders Coalition
Regarding Historic June 9th State/Federal Bay-Delta Agreement**

The members of the California Business - Labor - Water - Leaders Coalition commends the leadership of Governor Davis and U.S. Secretary of Interior Babbitt in forging an historic agreement to both restore the Bay-Delta ecosystem and to improve water supply reliability and quality. We clearly understand the very real risk to jobs, the economy and the environment if a drought period occurs within the next seven years, before new water facilities are on line, as recommended in the Action Plan. We especially support Governor Davis' commitment to address this risk and meet the future needs of California, by developing a critical shortage contingency plan.

The California Business - Labor - Water Leaders - Coalition supports the general direction of the CALFED June 9th Action Plan. After years of study and analysis, the state and federal agencies have set forth a reasonable framework of action. If the proposed actions to improve flexibility and expand the water supply pie are implemented, California will be better off than it is today. The Coalition can work with the Governor and the Secretary of Interior to refine and clarify existing uncertainties between now and the final Record of Decision to see that the Program provides guarantees to improve water quality, reliability and supply, similar to those accorded the environment.

The Action Plan is a reasonable starting point to provide for the needs of current and future generations, as well as protect California's jobs, the economy and the environment. Governor Davis and the Secretary of the Interior Babbitt have laid the necessary foundation to meet the challenge of California's future water needs.

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